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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants submit attached Form PTO-SB/08A (modified) for consideration and request the references cited therein be made of record by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application.

Applicants would like to inform the Examiner of the existence of the following co-pending U.S. patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>10/652,870</u> filed September 2, 2003, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000026); and

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Consideration of the foregoing plus the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form SB/08A with the Examiner's initials in the left column in accordance with MPEP 609 are respectfully requested.

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